1 THE HONORABLE MARSHA J. PECHMAN 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 8 IN RE: WASHINGTON MUTUAL 9 MORTGAGE BACKED SECURITIES CASE NO. C09-037-MJP LITIGATION, 10 JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.'S This Document Relates to: ALL CASES UNOPPOSED MOTION TO INTERVENE 11 FOR THE LIMITED PURPOSE OF **OPPOSING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR** 12 LEAVE TO AMEND TO ADD JPMC AS A DEFENDANT IN THIS ACTION 13 Noting Date: July 15, 2011 14 15 16 On June 23, 2011, Plaintiffs filed a motion for leave to amend their complaint in the 17 above-captioned action to add JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMC") as a defendant. (See 18 Lead Pls.' Mot. & Mem. for Leave to Am. (Dkt. No. 256).) Plaintiffs consent to JPMC's 19 intervention for the limited purpose of opposing Plaintiffs' Motion for Leave to Amend to 20 Add JPMC as a Defendant in This Action. Pursuant to Rule 24 of the Federal Rules of Civil 21 Procedure, JPMC moves for leave to intervene in this action for the limited purpose of 22 opposing Plaintiffs' motion to amend the complaint to add it as a defendant. 23 "A nonparty seeking to intervene need not intervene as a full party to the litigation, but 24 25 JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.'S UNOPPOSED MOTION TO INTERVENE - 1 CORR CRONIN MICHELSON Case No. C09-037-MJP

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may intervene for a limited purpose." LG Elecs. Inc. v. Q-Lity Computer Inc., 211 F.R.D.
360, 364 (N.D. Cal. 2002); see also VFD Consulting, Inc. v. 21st Servs., No. 04-2161, 2005
WL 1115870, at *4 (N.D. Cal. May 11, 2005) ("[T]he Ninth Circuit has expressly held that a
non-party seeking to intervene need not intervene as a full party to the litigation, but may
intervene for a limited purpose." (citing Beckman Indus., Inc. v. Int'l Ins. Co., 966 F.2d 470,
472 (9th Cir. 1992)). Courts routinely allow a nonparty to intervene in an action for the
limited purpose of opposing a party's motion to amend its pleading to add the nonparty to the
action. See, e.g., Hildes v. Andersen, No. 08-cv-0008, 2010 WL 2836769, at *6 (S.D. Cal.
July 19, 2010) (granting the outside directors' motion to intervene because they had "a
significant protectable interest in that they seek to oppose a motion that requests leave to add
them as defendants in this case"); BMC-The Benchmark Mgmt. Co. v. Ceebraid-Signal Corp.,
No. 05-cv-1149, 2006 WL2189703, at *6 n.6 (N.D. Ga. Aug. 1, 2006) (granting the
nonparties' motion to intervene in action for the limited purpose of opposing the plaintiffs'
motion to amend to add the nonparties as defendants); VFD Consulting, 2005 WL 1115870,
at *4-5 (granting the nonparty's motion to intervene for the limited purpose of opposing the
defendants' motion to amend to join nonparty in action); cf. LG Elecs., 211 F.R.D. at 365
(granting the nonparty's motion to intervene for the limited purpose of opposing the plaintiff's
motion to amend because "the disposition of [the plaintiff's] motion to amend may as a
practical matter impair or impede [the nonparty's] ability to protect its interest"). That is the
only reason that JPMC seeks to intervene in this action now. Accordingly, the Court should
grant JPMC's motion to intervene, and should allow it the opportunity to oppose Plaintiffs'
motion for leave to amend the complaint.

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1 Conclusion 2 For the foregoing reasons, the Court should grant JPMC's unopposed motion to 3 intervene for the limited purpose of opposing Plaintiffs' motion for leave to amend to add 4 JPMC as a defendant. 5 DATED this 11th day of July, 2011. 6 **CORR CRONIN MICHELSON** BAUMGARDNER & PREECE LLP 7 8 /s/ Steven W. Fogg 9 Steven W. Fogg, WSBA No. 23528 Christina N. Dimock, WSBA No. 40159 1001 Fourth Avenue, Suite 3900 10 Seattle, WA 98154 11 (206) 625-8600 12 CRAVATH, SWAINE & MOORE LLP Daniel Slifkin 13 Michael A. Paskin Worldwide Plaza 14 825 Eighth Avenue New York, NY 10019 15 (212) 474-1000 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.'S UNOPPOSED MOTION TO INTERVENE - 3 Case No. C09-037-MJP

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